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Colonel J. Frest
Colonel, G-1
Director of Counterintelligence
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of Army
Washington, DC 20310

Attention: Mr. Roger Pierce

Dear Mr. Pierce:

This is in response to Colonel Frest's memorandum requesting Mandatory Classification review of three CIA originated documents and one Department of Army document containing CIA information. These documents concern Elmer Barbis aka Elmer Altmann and are the same documents you handcarried to my office on 12 July 1983.

An official with Top Secret reviewing authority has reviewed the three CIA documents and has determined that they are currently and properly classified at the SECRET level under the provisions of Executive Order 12356. This same official has also reviewed the Department of Army document, a 6 April 1967 Memorandum for Record, and recommends that it also maintain its current classification level of SECRET in order to protect the CIA information contained therein. The four documents are returned herewith.

The reviewing official requests that the Department of Army advise Department of Justice that no further use of these documents should be made for any investigative purposes prior to coordination with CIA.

If you have any questions concerning these determinations or if you can be of further assistance, please contact me on 351-2770 or [] ext 351-3561.

Sincerely,

Lawrence H. Stremler
Information and Privacy Coordinator

Attached:

1. CIA memo dated 11 March 1981.
2. CIA 11 April 1983 Registration Record.
3. CIA memo dated 14 March 1981.
4. Department of Army memorandum to General [] dated 1967

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